

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for weaving airbag fabrics comprising partly single-ply portions and partly two-ply portions, ~~especially air bag fabrics~~, said two-ply portions including a first consisting of an upper ply and a second lower ply, the method comprising the steps:

(a) interweaving ~~[[the]]~~ warp threads furnished by at least two warp beams;

(b) producing ~~the first each upper ply and each lower ply with a~~ ~~[[the]]~~ warp thread band of an assigned first of said warp beams beam;

(c) producing the second ply with a warp thread band of an assigned second of said warp beams; and

(d) [[(c)]] controlling the at least two warp beams for tension, each independently of the other.

2. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein said warp beams receive differing warp thread materials.

3. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising implementing the method on a weaving machine fitted with a Jacquard machine.

4. (Currently Amended) A method for weaving fabrics on a weaving machine including a Jacquard machine, the method comprising:

- (a) ~~interweaving warp threads furnished by at least two warp beams;~~
- (b) ~~creating producing an upper ply separately and lower ply with a warp thread band of a first [[an]] assigned warp beam;~~
- (c) ~~creating a lower ply separately with a warp thread band of a second assigned warp beam; and~~
- (d) ~~[[c)]]~~ Independently controlling tension of the warp beams.

5. (Previously Presented) A method for weaving fabric, said method comprising:

- interweaving a warp thread from a first warp beam with a warp thread from a second warp beam;
- producing an upper ply solely from said first warp beam;
- producing a lower ply solely from said second warp beam; and
- controlling a tension in said first warp beam separately from said second warp beam.

6. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 5 wherein said interweaving a warp thread from said first warp beam with a warp thread from said second warp beam includes interweaving a warp thread made of a first material from said first warp beam with a warp thread made of a second material from said second warp beam, wherein said first material is different from said second material.

7. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 5, further comprising:

Implementing said method on a weaving machine fitted with a Jacquard machine.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for weaving fabric ~~fabrics~~ on a weaving machine, the method comprising:

(a) Interweaving warp threads delivered separately from at least two warp beams;

(b) producing an upper ply solely from a first of said warp beams and a lower ply solely from a second of said warp beams ~~with said warp thread of an assigned warp beam;~~ and

(c) independently controlling tension of said ~~the~~ warp beams.

9. (New) The method according to Claim 8 wherein said fabric is an automotive airbag fabric.

10. (New) The method according to Claim 8 wherein said weaving machine is a Jacquard machine.

11. (New) The method according to Claim 8 further comprising equalizing tension over the full width of said fabric.

12. (New) The method according to Claim 8 wherein said warp threads of one of said beams are of a different material than that of the other of said beams.

13. (New) The method according to Claim 5 wherein said fabric is an automotive airbag fabric.

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